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SAYS FORMER PRESIDENT TAFT

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Washington, Feb. 28.—Former President Taft in a speech on the Mexican situation said that intervention would mean the garrisoning of every town and thousands of soldiers, to chase guerrillas into mountains and across the deserts. "No effort ought to be omitted to prevent a catastrophe like this," he said.

NOT JUST YET.

No Final Agreement in B. & M. Case Before Next Week.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The New Haven railroad lawyers and the department of justice continued yesterday the discussion of the Boston & Maine situation. The conference brought no concrete results.

Another conference is expected. Although the officials declare there has been no row it became known that the feeling developed between George W. Anderson, president of the Massachusetts public service commission and Counsel Storey of the railroad over the manner in which the state should be protected in the rights it now has in regard to the Boston & Maine.

It was said yesterday by the conferees that they did not hope for a final agreement before next week. Until Chairman Elliott's return from New York, where he went yesterday to discuss certain of the more important questions affecting the proposed dissolution with the board of directors, the conferees will confine themselves to technical questions of lesser importance, it was said.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL RETAINS HIS POWER

Amendments To Postoffice Bill Intended To Check Action Are Rejected

By Senate, 33 To 24.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Amendments to the postoffice bill to strip the postmaster-general of power to lower rates and alter regulations of the parcel post were thrown out by the Senate yesterday, 33 to 24.

OPPOSES ANTI-TRUST MEASURES.

Senator Newlands Expresses View Before Committee.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Opposition is growing steadily in Congress to the tentative bills proposed for inclusion in the administration's anti-trust program designed to supplement the Sherman law. There is a feeling among many leaders that the Sherman law as it stands leaves little if any latitude for areas and that to tamper with it might result in judicial confusion, endangering the effectiveness of the act. This view was expressed before the Senate committee by Senator Newlands.

HUMUS IN THE SOIL.

Fifty Years Needed for Its Growth and Possibly a Longer Time.

This is one of the greatest factors in the production of crops, and for holding soil moisture, observes the Indiana Farmer. It is the humus and moisture in connection that make soluble the elements of production and plant growth. It is a very long process in securing humus in the soil for the growth of plants, and once exhausted it is hard to restore. Prof. Osborne, touching this matter, says: "Men are likely to conclude that they can, within a few years build up a large humus content in the soil. On the contrary, it can be seen by the following figures that this is not an easy thing to do. It has been found that not over 10 per cent of the organic matter plowed under can be figured on as being converted into humus. The surface, eight inches of the average clay loam, weighs approximately about 2,000,000 pounds. Taking the humus content as five per cent you would have 100,000 pounds to the acre. If the farmer should ever turn under four tons of organic matter per acre annually, it would take a very long time to build up a large humus content. Fifty years would be a short time in which to accumulate humus to any extent, and even a longer time would be required if one removes the crop from time to time. From these figures one should not conclude that the addition of humus to the soil is not highly desirable, for it is. It can be seen, however, that at the most we can do but little more within our short lives than maintain the humus at a constant percentage by frequent green manuring.

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TAFT SAYS OUR

LEGAL SYSTEM IS TOO COMPLEX

Urges Clayton Bill Passage Before the House Committee on Judiciary.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Ex-President William Howard Taft appeared yesterday before the House committee on the judiciary to recommend and urge the speedy passage of the Clayton bill, which extends to the supreme court of the United States the right to make rules for the conduct of cases on the commission law side of the federal courts with a view to the expedition of justice.

"No other country in the world," said Mr. Taft, "has made such progress along the line of the simplification of judicial practice as has England. The despatch of business in the English courts finds no comparison on this side of the Atlantic. Even in murder trials four or five days suffice at most, whereas, in America, trials of four or five weeks are by no means infrequent."

"And on the other hand, there is no suggestion that ends of justice are not observed with equal precision under the simpler methods of practice in England as in America."

"If I thought that I might not be suggesting a stumbling block to the speedy passage of this most highly important bill, I would suggest an additional section carrying an appropriation for the creation of a commission under the supervision of the supreme court which should assume the burden of detail work incident to the carrying out of the purposes of this bill. The important thing is to pass the bill. The appropriation might create a diversion, so let us pass the bill and then deal with other matters later on."

The recall of federal judges and judicial decisions were denounced by Taft when he went before the judiciary committee.

"Both would tend to break down the courts," he said.

BECKER SAYS HE'S

TALKED TOO MUCH

Will Say No More Until He Takes the Stand at Second Trial—Trial in Either April or May.

New York, Feb. 28.—Believing that he has talked too much since the court of appeals granted him a new trial, Charles Becker, former police lieutenant, said yesterday he would have no more statements to make until he takes the stand in his own defense when again tried for the murder of Herman Rosenthal. Becker was confined in a cell in the Tombs yesterday. He thoroughly enjoyed a ride down Broadway from the 125th street station Thursday night. Before being locked in his cell he told reporters it might be announced positively that under no circumstances would he seek reinstatement on the police force. Dist. Atty. Whitman declared Becker would be placed on trial again in April or May. Justice Seabury or Justice Davis will preside.

"LEFT LOUIE" DENIES STORY.

Gunsman Not To Try To Put All Blame on Becker.

Ossining, Feb. 28.—"Lefty Louie" one of the four gunmen who will die in the electric chair for their part in the Rosenthal murder, made a statement yesterday in which he denied he and his companions would try to throw the entire blame for the killing upon Charles Becker. They say they have no grudge against him.

HIS MEMORY HONORED.

The Last Rites for General Joshua L. Chamberlain.

Portland, Me., Feb. 28.—Draped in the flag, the stars of which he helped to preserve undimmed, the casket containing the body of Joshua L. Chamberlain, former governor of Maine, former president of Bowdoin college and a major general of the Civil war, was borne from city hall shortly before noon yesterday on its way to its final resting place in the cemetery of the quiet, old college town of Brunswick, which for so many years had been his home.

Four companies of the state militia guarded the honored body of the "hero of Little Round Top" and behind them marched the old comrades in arms of the dead leader, the members of the military order of the Loyal Legion and the two Grand Army posts of this city. Although a military funeral and attended by the governor of the state, representatives of Governor Walsh of Massachusetts and a great body of Maine's most distinguished citizens, the services for General Chamberlain were almost severe in their simplicity.

WEBSTERVILLE.

About 50 friends and schoolmates of Lillian Corcoran gave her a surprise party on Saturday evening, Feb. 21, at her home in lower Westerville and in behalf of the party, Miss Viola Ankers, in a fitting address, presented Miss Beaton a valuable present and a sum of money, for which Miss Beaton, in a graceful manner, thanked them all. The young people enjoyed themselves with games and other amusements. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served and the party broke up at 11 o'clock, everyone wishing the hostess many returns of the occasion.

THE CASE OF MELLE

It Is Presented in Court at Bridgeport, Conn., on Questions of Law

MANSLAUGHTER IS THE CHARGE

His Counsel Claim He Can't Be Tried on a Bench Warrant

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 28.—The charge of manslaughter brought against Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R. company, as the result of the collision of express trains at Westport, in October, 1912, in which several persons were killed, came up before Judge Joseph P. Tuttle, in the criminal side of the superior court yesterday, on the plea of jurisdiction entered by counsel for Mr. Mellen. As questions of law early were under consideration at this time, Mr. Mellen was not in court.

The plea of jurisdiction was filed last May and raised the question that Mr. Mellen's arrest on a bench warrant was not supported by affidavit which would show probable cause. The accompanying motion was to quash the indictment. Originally five other officers of the railroad company were arrested on bench warrants, but noles were entered by the state attorney, Styles Judson, a few days ago and the state elected to try to fix the responsibility for the Westport wreck on the then president of the company, Mr. Mellen.

When the case opened Judge Tuttle asked Homer S. Cummings, attorney for Mr. Mellen, if he wished to have the plea filed in May apply to the amended complaint, which complaint was the one offered by Mr. Judson after it had nolledd those against the other officers. Mr. Cummings said he did and read his plea after the court had inquired if the contention was that the amended complaint did not hold Mr. Mellen. Mr. Cummings replied that such was his contention, as the dismissal of the complaint which named five other officers as defendants released Mr. Mellen. The amended complaint therefore, could not hold Mr. Mellen.

Mr. Cummings took up the aspect of the case in the light of constitutional guarantees, quoting a number of cases. Coming to the case in point he said that Mr. Mellen was charged with manslaughter in the killing of a person in the wreck at Westport and the question comes up whether Mr. Mellen has been legally arrested. The constitution protects a person against illegal arrest.

It has become the general practice to recognize this protection and effort is not made to break down the safeguard. It is well that there are so few guards. It has happened that state attorneys have had bench warrants issued, those named in them have been thrown into jail and finally the warrants have been nolledd.

"I have no reference to Brother Judson's office," replied Mr. Cummings. Mr. Cummings said that the question bench warrants was a "long arm which reaches out to get persons suspected of crime." He praised the bench warrant as a useful adjunct of the court but declared it could not break down any safeguard of individual liberty.

Mr. Cummings said that the question might be raised that if the court granted the motion, it might have far reaching effects in that it might let persons accused of crime go free, and might even upset administration of justice itself. "Not so," said Mr. Cummings. "We do not believe this, nor do we believe that your honor will believe that is our contention. The motion means that we hold that the warrant which makes Mr. Mellen the defendant was not supported by an oath or affirmation and is void."

COMMONS TO PRO-

VIDE ONE DAY FOR ALL ELECTIONS

The Lower House Votes Second Reading of Important Governmental Bill.

London, Feb. 28.—The House of Commons yesterday passed, 215 to 152, the second reading of a bill providing that all parliamentary elections be held on the same day. The bill was introduced by Sir Harry Verney, a Liberal member, and the Liberal party agrees that it will largely mitigate plural voting and the disturbance of business by prolonged general elections. The Unionist party opposed the bill, but as the government has taken it under its wing it is probable it will be pushed through the House.

FIVE MONTHS FOR "MASHIE."

New York Judge Sentences Rich Man's Son—Says Girls Must Be Protected.

New York, Feb. 28.—Judge Wadhams in general sessions approves of heavy fines and long terms for mashers. He said yesterday when he affirmed the act of Magistrate Marsh in the night court on Dec. 23, in sentencing Nicholas Sabbatino, a musician and son of a wealthy real estate man, to five months on Blackwell's Island for annoying girls on their way home from work.

JEALOUSY LED TO HIS CRIME.

Ellis Says He Has No Recollection of Killing Wife.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Jealousy caused him to kill his wife, but he has no recollection of committing the crime, was the testimony yesterday of William Ellis, a former leather merchant, on trial here for murder.

Hub Sheriff Makes Threat.

Boston, Feb. 28.—The investigation by the city council of the Charles street jail, developed the exclamation from Sheriff John Quinn that he "would kill Governor Watson if he attacked my people." Watson charged that Quinn kept members of his family at the expense of Suffolk county.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Times and Places of Worship and Subjects of Sermons

Mission Union Sunday School, South Barre—Meets every Sunday.

Brook Street Mission, Brook street—A. Myrtle Jameson, missionary. Sunday school at 3 p. m., conducted in English.

Cobble Hill Song Service—Because of a special grange meeting next week and the town meeting, which will follow, the next Cobble hill song service will be held March 10.

First Presbyterian Church, Granvilleville—Preaching service at 10:30; Sunday school at 11:45; evening service at 7 o'clock. Everyone cordially invited. Rev. Mr. McNeil will preach.

Christian Science Church—Service at 10:45 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30. To the services all are welcome. The reading room is open Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 4 p. m., 7 Summer street.

Berlin Congregational Church—Frank Blomfield, pastor. Morning service at 10:45; address for the Sunday before town meeting, "Good Citizenship." Sunday school at noon. Young people's meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Salvation Army—At the Salvation Army hall, Sunday meetings: Sunday school at 1:30 p. m.; afternoon meeting at 3 p. m.; evening service at 8 o'clock. Services every night in the week except Thursday night. Everybody welcome.

St. Monica's Church—Children's mass at 9 o'clock; celebrant, Rev. Fr. McKenna. Parish mass at 10:30 o'clock; celebrant, Rev. Hugh McKenna. Catechism at 3 p. m. Rosary and benediction at 4 p. m. Baptisms at 4 p. m.

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, Westerville—W. M. J. Beattie, rector. Holy communion at 7:15 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 3 o'clock; subject, "The True Basis of Morals." Sunday school at 2 p. m. The midweek service will be on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Westerville Baptist Church—William Garshore, pastor. Morning service at 10:30; subject, "Barre City Hospital Campaign." Sunday school and men's class at 1:30. Juniors at 3 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Evening service at 7 o'clock; subject, "The Principles of Sacrifice." Prayer and praise meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Universal Church—John B. Beardon, minister. Preaching service at 10:30; subject, "Are We Our Brother's Keeper?" Bible study at 11:45; subject, "Trust in Riches and Trusting in God." Preaching service at South Barre at 4. Devotional meeting of the Young People's Christian union in the vestry at 7; subject, "The Christian Life—Its Call to Worship."

Swedish Mission on Brook Street—Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. Preaching at 7 p. m. Rev. Martin Ekwall and wife, who have been missionaries in China for 18 years, will speak in the First Baptist church on Thursday evening, March 5, at 7:30. Mr. Ekwall is a powerful speaker, and therefore, we urge all to come. Remember our festival to-night at 8 o'clock.

First Presbyterian Church—Duncan Salmon, pastor. Morning service at 10:30; subject, "Making the Best of a Bad Situation." Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Evening preaching service at 7 o'clock. The first in a series of sermons to young men; subject, "Hail Fellow, Well Met." Boys' gymnasium work Wednesday at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

Recall Dr. Batten's Address.

The many people who were delighted with Dr. Batten's presentation of the present social need are asked to bring back to mind those most illuminating thoughts, and put them into practice next Tuesday. This year there will be no special no-license meeting in the opera house on the Sunday preceding election day. Regular Sunday evening services will be held in the various churches.

The Church of the Good Shepherd.

W. J. M. Beattie, rector. Holy communion and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 1:50. Deaconess Mary's Bible class in the vestry, kindergarten in charge of Mrs. N. J. Roberts. Evening prayer and sermon at 7 o'clock. Morning service at 10:30. Subject, "The Christian Life—Its Call to Worship." Special Lenten preacher on Tuesday evening at 7:30 will be Rev. Dr. Flint. Service on Friday evening at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all who may be able to attend the services.

First Baptist Church—George H. Holt,

pastor. Morning service at 10:30 a. m.; subject, "Christ's Recognition of a Round World." Bible school session at 12 m. Communion at 1 o'clock. Junior meeting at the church at 3 p. m. Christian Endeavor service at 6:30. Evening worship at 7 o'clock; subject, "Automatic Christianity." Thursday evening the members of the Baptist church, both Swedish and English, will gather in the auditorium of the church at 7:30 to listen to Martin Ekwall, a missionary to Tibet. Rev. Ekwall uses the English language fluently and is a magnetic speaker. The Sunday school teachers will meet at 6:45 as usual.

East Barre Congregational Church—The special services inaugurated on last Sunday under the leadership of Rev. S. H. Haynes, state evangelist of the Vermont Domestic Missionary society, will be continued another week. Mr. Haynes is a very interesting speaker and the services have been increasing in numbers and interest. Mr. Haynes' topic Sunday morning at 10:30 will be "Fallow Ground." The topic of the evening service at 7 o'clock will be "Remember." These special services will close Friday evening of next week and everybody is urgently invited to attend. Sunday school at noon. Christian Endeavor service at 6:15 p. m.; topic, "The Love Verse," 1 John 4:16.

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pastor, 10:30 a. m., worship and sermon; subject, "Alcohol and Economics." 12 m., Sunday school, 4:30 p. m., pastor's class for the young people, 5:45 p. m., Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m., worship and sermon; subject, "Alcohol and Personal Liberty." Thursday, 7:30 p. m., midweek meeting, topic, "The Call to Repent." Mark 1:1-22. In the morning the choir will sing "O Worship the Lord" (Watson), "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" (Maker), and "O For a Closer Walk with God" (Foster). In the evening the choir will sing, "Lo the Day of Rest Declineth" (Robinson), "More Joy in His Service" (Bliss), "Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace" (Buck), and "Saviour, Thy Dying Love" (Lowry).

A Wonderful Baseball Play.

In the February American Magazine appears a page entitled "Two Glances of Ty Cobb." One of the stories told is the following, which relates how the great Detroit baseball player—perhaps the greatest player in the world—made a lucky scratch hit and then scored on three stolen bases:

"The greatest baseball play I ever saw occurred in a game between the Philadelphia Athletics and the Detroit Tigers in Shibe Park, Philadelphia, June, 1912.

"Ty Cobb, his first time up, hit a nasty grounder toward first base. The ball had a deceptive bounce and 'Stuffy' McInnes had some trouble reaching for it and keeping hold of the ball when he got it. But he managed to scramble over and touch first just as 'Ty' raced over the bag. 'Connie' Mack's loyal 'rooters' declared that 'Georgia Peach' out by a mile, but the umpire had ideas of his own and Tyros rested safely on the initial sack.

"The unexpected usually happens when the star swatsman is running bases, and on this occasion he did not disappoint his admirers. After the pitcher had thrown the ball, Ty, having a fairly good lead, decided to amble along down to second, figuring, no doubt, that Lapp the Athletic catcher would be taken off his guard and throw wild. To try for second after a catcher of Lapp's ability has the ball requires 'nerve' of high order. He is usually 'tired' with the perfect peg; but the sight of Cobb jogging along was too much for him and he heaved the ball into center field. Cobb saw Barry crouched in front of the base pin, waiting as if to receive the ball, so, gathering speed, he made one of his famous bent leg slides and landed behind the bag. Then seeing that the ball had gone to center field, he started for third base at top speed. Someone, I think it was Collins, made a beautiful throw to 'Home Run' Baker, who stabbed Cobb with the ball as that well known gentleman was in the act of sliding head first for the third base of rest.

"The crowd groaned when the umpire pronounced Cobb safe at third. While admiring his pricy exhibition, the 'fans' really wanted the dangerous fellow disposed of, and he had reached third by the closest kind of a margin.

"Ty" slipped the rust from his togs and, as usual, ran several feet up the path toward home each time the pitcher started to wind up. The batter had now gathered two strikes and with the wind-up Cobb reached for the plate at full speed, sliding with great force against Lapp, who was waiting for him with the ball. But the throw had been a little too high and the catcher was taken off his feet before he could touch the daring base runner.

"Cobb therefore stole three bases after having reached first by a lucky scratch hit and made the first run of the game before the next batter up had hit the ball."

Potatoes in Tissue.

A few years ago there was consternation and some degree of distrust among the growers of the Northwest began to send crates of carefully wrapped, sorted, and packed apples to the large eastern cities and get fancy prices for the same. They were used to tumbling their apples, with little sorting or care, into second hand barrels and sending them to the city dealers. If they took any pains with the packing it was, in too many instances, confined to putting the big apples on top and the smaller and wormy apples in the middle of the barrel. They sneered that the city people who paid much higher prices for the northwestern apples were paying dear for tissue paper and boxes for kindling wood, and that they were getting no better apples. It was all true enough about the quality of the apples, for no apples are better than those of the states in this section, but the northwestern growers had taught them something about the tastes of city people in the east or elsewhere.

And now the progressive northwest is putting trials on the prosaic and democratic potato. Montana growers are shipping to New York boxes of potatoes in assorted sizes, each potato carefully wrapped in tissue. Each box is of 60 pounds, but the potatoes are packed according to size, so that the boxes contain 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or 70 potatoes each. And the New York people, who like the smell of burning money, are paying \$2 a box for these potatoes—two or three times as much as for Aroostook potatoes, which are unquestionably of better quality. The potato growers of Aroostook are not devoid of enterprise themselves and they are likely to take the hint. It was discussed at the potato day convention recently held at Bangor, but what will be the effect of this great westward march of Aroostook? Will it send out its 25,000,000 bushels of potatoes wrapped in tissue and carefully numbered in small crates.—Boston Herald.

IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS

The Dartmouth freshman hockey team defeated Vermont academy at Saxtons River on Wednesday by the score of 10 to 1.

Hub Perdue says: "To be traded to St. Louis means a \$10,000 reduction in what I would probably receive in Boston. Moreover am tired of being with a tailend club. I have been chosen to work against the best pitchers of the clubs Boston played. I have also been called upon to save games when other Boston pitchers got into trouble. Now that the Boston club begins to amount to something, it seems that I am to be traded. Well, they will have to see me. I made over \$100 a month out of a half interest in a pool room this winter. By owning the poolroom outright and cultivating my farm I guess I can live."

John Henry, the Washington catcher, has gone south to enter spring training at Charlottesville, Va. During the winter Henry has been coaching the Amherst hockey team.

Charles P. Taft seems not inclined to sell the Cubs. He refused the offer made by a syndicate represented by Behan. The price is said to have been much greater than Taft paid Murphy.

Andy Coakley, the former big leaguer and coach of baseball at Columbia university, is singing the praises of Burr, the pitching recruit of the New York Highlanders. He says that he is the best looking tosser he ever saw. Coakley says that he has another phenom at Columbia in Smith, a youngster who he says is a dead ringer for Walter Johnson.

Jack Quinn, the former New York Highlander, who was with the International league last season, has come to terms with the management of the Braves. Quinn was dickered with the Federal league but was held by strings by the Braves. He balked at the figure offered first by Gaffney.

Spring football practice at Princeton university has been started. The work is in charge of Capt. Ballin and Coach Herring and Boland. The first week will be devoted to the elements of passing and raising formations. As soon as the ground permits practice will be started in earnest and continued through spring.

Hans Wagner passed the forty-year mark last Tuesday. Wagner is one of the oldest men in the big leagues and bids well to outlast some of his younger brothers. He will play his regular position at short with the Pirates in the summer.

To solve the shortstop problem of the Brooklyn Nationals Manager Robinson declares that Kid Eberfeld, the old leaguer, will be seen in the gap when the season opens. Eberfeld managed the Chattanooga team in the Southern league last season.

FOREST NOTES.

The state of New York has just published a comprehensive report of its wood-using industries.

Canada has a society of forest engineers. Dr. B. E. Fernow of Toronto, is president and F. W. H. Jacobson of Ottawa, is secretary.

Of the three Pacific coast states, Oregon and Washington far outstrip California in the work done by private owners for forest protection.

The development of quicksilver mines promises to make large demands for cordwood and construction timbers on the Toronto national forest, Arizona.

Manufacturers of greenhouses and makers of boxes are getting in touch so that the latter may use for box cleats the cypress waste from the greenhouses.

Lodgepole pine seed sown broadcast on the snow in southern Idaho last spring germinated when the snow melted, and as many as 60 little trees were counted to the square foot. The summer was so dry, however, that most of the plants died, except where sheltered by brush or logs.